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## William Fricks Assumes Helm of Barry-Wehmiller International



ST. LOUIS, Missouri — March 26, 2015 — Bob Chapman, Chairman and CEO of Barry-Wehmiller, is pleased to announce the appointment of William Fricks to Managing Partner of Barry-Wehmiller International (B-WI), its global consulting division that provides engineering and information technology solutions to mid-market manufacturing companies.

Fricks has more than thirty years of experience selling, designing and delivering manufacturing automation and business management solutions. After joining Barry-Wehmiller's Design Group in 2003, Fricks distinguished himself with his strong technical aptitude and exceptional organizational, project management and client development skills and was promoted to Design Group Partner in 2012.

"William has demonstrated outstanding leadership and business development skills which will serve Barry-Wehmiller International well as they enter a new chapter in the company's history," Chapman said. "His experience will help to strengthen B-WI's capabilities and services and ensure they deliver forward thinking industry solutions while keeping Barry-Wehmiller's people-centric values in focus."

In his new role, Fricks will report to Carol O'Neill, VP of Strategy, Technology and Key Initiatives and will be responsible for all aspects of the business, including global practice direction, business development, client relationship management, financial management, project management and organizational development. "I am thrilled that BW-I will have an opportunity to benefit from William's exceptional track record of developing meaningful customer relationships by building the team and practices needed to deliver solutions that consistently meet or exceed customer expectations," O'Neill said.

"I am honored to lead this tremendous group of professionals who are clearly dedicated to providing the highest standard of business and manufacturing solutions with unparalleled client support," remarked Fricks. "The opportunities that lie ahead are very exciting."

Fricks has a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. He plans to remain in the Atlanta area. He replaces Vasant Bennett, former Managing Partner, who left to pursue other interests.

## **ABOUT BARRY-WEHMILLER INTERNATIONAL (B-WI)**

Barry-Wehmiller International (B-WI) is a global provider of business and technology solutions to manufacturers. B-WI delivers powerful business, engineering and enterprise solutions including software, implementation and engineering services.

## **ABOUT BARRY-WEHMILLER**

Barry-Wehmiller is a diversified global supplier of engineering consulting and manufacturing technology for the packaging, corrugating, sheeting and paper converting industries. By blending people-centric leadership with disciplined operational strategies and purpose-driven growth, Barry-Wehmiller has become a \$2 billion organization with 8,500-plus team members united by a common belief: to use the power of business to build a better world. To see how, go to barry-wehmiller.com.

